

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A computer system comprising:
a computer unit having a central processing unit;
a peripheral unit connected to said computer unit;
5 means for operating the computer unit and the
peripheral unit in a first mode and means for operating
the peripheral unit in a second mode; and
means for selecting one of the first and second
modes in accordance with detection of connection of
10 another device.
2. The computer system according to claim 1,
wherein
said operating means further includes means for
supplying power to said computer unit and said
15 peripheral unit in the first mode and means for
supplying power to said peripheral unit in the second
mode.
3. The computer system according to claim 2,
which further comprises a connector connected to
20 another device and a selector for connecting said
computer unit and said peripheral unit in the first
mode and for connecting said other device and said
peripheral unit in the second mode.
4. The computer system according to claim 3,
25 wherein said selecting means comprises means for
detecting connection of the other device to the
connector and mode setting means for setting the second

mode upon detection of the connection of the other device to the connector.

5 5. The computer system according to claim 1, wherein said peripheral unit is one of a hard disk drive, a floppy disk drive, a CD-ROM drive, and a display unit.

10 6. An integrated computer system comprising a housing including a computer unit, a display unit connected to said computer unit via an interface, and a display connector connected to another computer system, the system comprising:

15 a controller configured to supply a signal supplied from said other computer system to said display unit and power to said display unit when said other computer system is connected to said interface.

 7. The system according to claim 6, wherein connection of said other computer system is detected based on a presence of a signal from said other computer system at said display connector.

20 8. The method according to claim 6, wherein said controller is further configured to supply a signal supplied from said computer unit to said display unit and power to said computer unit and said display unit upon power-on of said integrated computer system.

25 9. The integrated computer system according to claim 6, wherein said display connector is an external RGB connector.

10. A method of operating a computer system comprising a computer unit having a central processing unit and a peripheral unit connected to said computer unit, the method comprising:

5 selecting one of first and second modes in accordance with detection of connection of another device wherein the computer unit and the peripheral unit is operated in the first mode and the peripheral unit is operated in the second mode.

10 11. The method according to claim 10, further comprising:

 in the second mode, supplying power to said computer unit when said other device is connected to said computer system.

15 12. The method according to claim 11, further comprising:

 supplying power to said computer unit and said peripheral unit, in the first mode upon power-on of said computer system.

20 13. The method according to claim 10, wherein said selecting comprises the following steps of:

 detecting connection of the other device;
 setting the second mode upon detection of the connection of the other device.

25 14. A method of operating an integrated computer system comprising a housing including a computer unit, a display unit connected to said computer unit via an

interface, and a display connector connected to another computer system, the method comprising:

supplying a signal supplied from said other
computer system to said display unit and power to said
5 display unit when said other computer system is
connected to said interface.

15. The method according to claim 14, further comprising:

detecting connection of said other computer system
10 based on a presence of a signal from said other
computer system at said display connector.

16. The method according to claim 14, further comprising:

supplying a signal supplied from said computer
15 unit to said display unit and power to said computer
unit and said display unit upon power-on of said
integrated computer system.